

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

AVRAM VINETO NIKA,

Petitioner,

3:09-cv-00178-JCM-WGC

VS.

ORDER

RENEE BAKER, *et al.*,
Respondents.

15 In this capital habeas corpus action, the petitioner, Avram Vineto Nika, filed a second
16 amended petition for writ of habeas corpus on August 3, 2015 (ECF No. 73). Respondents were
17 originally due to respond to Nika's second amended petition by November 13, 2015. *See Order*
18 entered September 10, 2015 (ECF No. 84). On November 18, 2015, the court granted respondents a
19 60-day extension of time, to January 12, 2016 (ECF No. 86).

20 On January 11, 2016, respondents filed a motion for extension of time (ECF No. 88),
21 requesting a second extension of time for their response -- another 60 days, to March 14, 2016.
22 Respondents' counsel states that the extension of time is necessary because of personnel changes at
23 the Office of the Attorney General, and because of his obligations in other cases. Petitioner's
24 counsel does not object.

25 The court finds that the motion for extension of time is made in good faith and not solely for
26 the purpose of delay, and that there is good cause for the extension of time requested.

1 **IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED** that respondents' motion for extension of time
2 (ECF No. 88) is **GRANTED**. Respondents shall have until and including **March 14, 2016**, to
3 file and serve an answer or other response to petitioner's second amended habeas petition.

4 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that, in all other respects, the schedule for further
5 proceedings set forth in the order entered June 18, 2015 (ECF No. 68) shall remain in effect.

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7 Dated January 15, 2016.

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11 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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